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1. HAVE COMPLIED PARA 2 OF REFERENCE.

2. FOLLOWING INFO OBTAINED GREEK ORALLY FROM [] REGARDING CONFERENCE WITH DEVA AND OTHER DATA CONCERNING HIS VISIT TO ATHENS:

1/ A. DEVA HAS TOLD [] AND [] THAT HE HERE REPRESENTING KOSOVO ALBANIAN GROUP WHICH HAD MEMBERS IN ITALY, GREECE, TURKEY AND ELSEWHERE. HE DID NOT TELL [] THAT HE HAD ANY CONNECTION WITH AMERICANS. HIS PLAN WAS TO GATHER ALL "ALBANIAN LEADERS" IN GREECE UNDER LEADERSHIP HIS GROUP. MAINTAINS GREECE IDEAL LOCATION FROM WHICH MOUNT OPERATIONS AGAINST ALBANIA. PROPOSES OBTAIN GREEK AND AMERICAN SUPPORT BUT THIS SUPPORT TO REMAIN "UNKNOWN" AND WHOLE OPERATION TO "GIVE APPEARANCE OF ALBANIAN OPERATION." (SINCE THIS IN LINE WITH GREEK VIEWS ON MATTER, [] HAD NO OBJECTION THIS PLAN AND REMARKED THAT HE EXPECTED TITO MAKE MOVE TO ANNEX ALBANIA WITHIN NEXT THREE MONTHS.)

B. THAT DEVA TRAVELING ON ITALIAN PASSPORT, DEPARTED 15 APRIL FOR EGYPT SYRIA AND TURKEY IN THAT ORDER, AFTER WHICH HE WOULD RETURN ATHENS FOR 15 DAYS. [] HAD GRANTED DEVA REENTRY PERMIT VALID 15 DAYS). DEVA STATED HE PLANNED HE GONE 15 DAYS ON TRIP WHICH IF FOLLOWED, SHOULD PUT HIM BACK IN ATHENS FROM 1 TO 15 MAY. WHILE HERE, DEVA CONTACTED PRIVISI, MUHAREM BAKRANTARI, HOUSNY DEMA, AND FIKRI DINE. [] FURTHER STATED THAT HE HAD GOTTEN IMPRESSION DEVA DID NOT WANT TO COOPERATE WITH BRITISH.

2. [] AND [] INTERVIEWED DEMA WHO STATED THAT DEVA TOLD HIM PRIVATELY THAT AMERICANS IN ITALY (MENTIONING A [] TWICE) WERE BACKING THE UNIFIED ACTIONS OF THE ALBANIANS IN AN OPERATION INTO ALBANIA "LAUNCHED FROM ITALY."

3. REPORT FROM [] TODAY STATES AS FOLLOWS: "AFTER BEING MINISTER OF INTERIOR AND PUBLIC SECURITY DURING GERMAN OCCUPATION JOINED S.S. AND WAS ACTIVE IN PARIS."

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AFTER DEFEAT GERMANY, WENT AUSTRIA WHERE RESIDES PERMANENTLY. THE FACT THAT WHILE HERE DEVA HAD PLENTY OF MONEY MADE GREAT IMPRESSION IN AETHENS. SUSPICIONS EXPRESSED THAT HE WORKING FOR SOME INTELLIGENCE SERVICE, BUT NO ONE KNEW WHICH ONE. DEVA HOSTILE TO TITO AND FAVORS GREEK-ALBANIAN RAPPROACHMENT. HE WILL ASK TO SEE AND TALK TO RENDIS AND VLASTARIS. VISITED BISHOP KORYLLAS."

4. L 7 REPORT RECEIVED TODAY STATES SUBSTANCE: DEVA MEMBER ~~VERLACCI~~ VERLACCI'S ALBANIAN INDEPENDENT PARTY. VERLACCI CABLED EVANGELIOS KYRKOS OF DEVA'S ARRIVAL. SECRETARY OF PARTY GHION MARKAGHIONI ADVISED NIKOLAOS MELIOUSI, EX CAPTAIN ALBANIAN ARMY. DEVA MET AT AIRPORT BY KYRKOS, BOZARI AND MEHMET AGA, ~~WHICH~~ INTERNEES AT LAVRION, ARE HIS ADHERENTS: ADEM GLAVITSA, KEIMENI, AND BINIAROU, IN OPPOSITION.

5. ACCORDING ANOTHER REPORT FROM L 7, DEVA FORESEES CREATION OF A COMMON ALBANIAN GREEK STATE ON PATTERN AUSTRIA-HUNGARY: AGREES THAT NORTHERN EPIRUS SHOULD BECOME GREEK: THAT MASSES COULD AND SHOULD BE HELD IN GREEK LANGUAGE, AND FINALLY THAT THESE AIMS AND PLANS ARE LOGICAL AND CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED.

6. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.